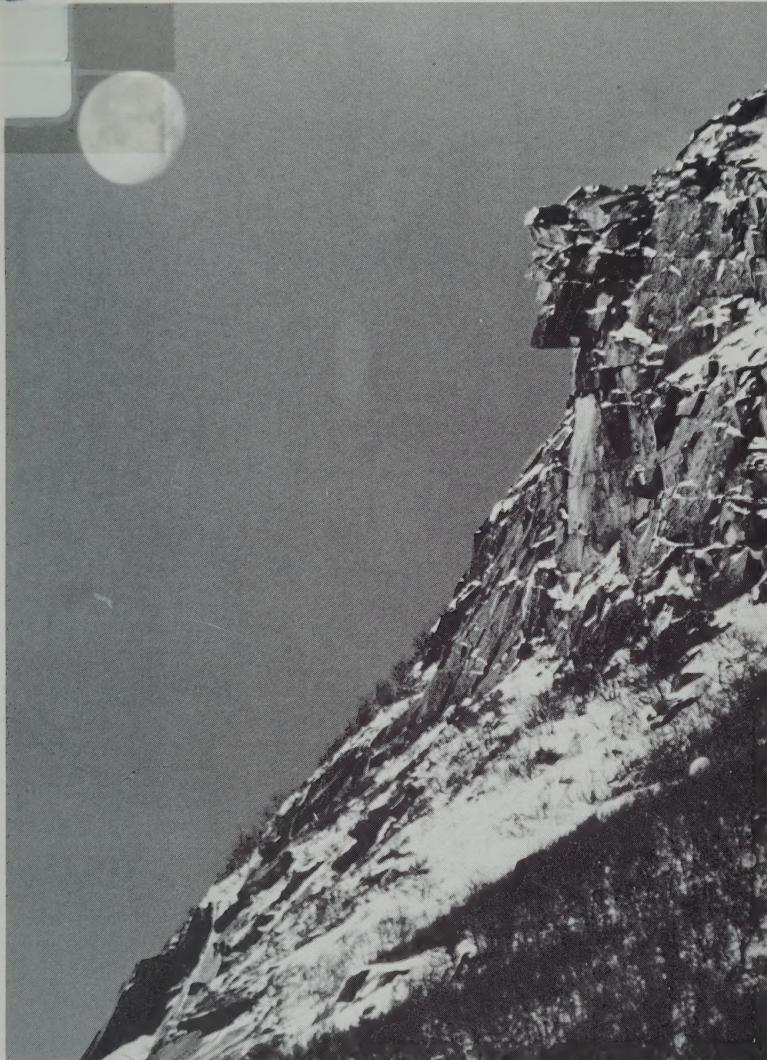


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New Hampshire

Year ending December 31, 1992



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Town of Easton, New Hampshire
ANNUAL REPORT
of the Town Officers

Year Ended December 31, 1992

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TOWN OFFICERS

Board of Selectmen

JOSEPH PIMENTAL	(Term expires 1993)
LEE STRIMBECK	(Term expires 1994)
ROBERT HACKETT	(Term expires 1995)

Town Clerk

BARBARA COLLIER

Tax Collector

FONTELLE SILVER

Treasurer

KIMBERLY DONOVAN

Auditor

RALPH BRIGIDA

Moderator

STEPHEN NORTH (1994)

Trustee of the Trust Funds

CAROLE HUTTON

Lafayette School Board

LEE STRIMBECK (1993)

Supervisors of the Checklist

LOIS HACKETT	(1994)
PATRICIA EVERY	(1996)
SUSAN TOMASETTI	(1998)

Library Trustees

EUNICE WOODS	(1993)
CAROLE HUTTON	(1994)
CAROLYN CHASE	(1995)

Planning Board - Three Years

JOHN WILCOXSON	(1993)
JEANNE DUGGAN	(1994)
MIKE GARVAN	(1994)
LEE WHITE	(1995)
JIM COLLIER	(alternate)
BOB HACKETT	(Ex Officio)

Cemetery Trustees

EUNICE WOODS	(1993)
ROBERT EVERY	(1994)
JOSEPH DUGGAN	(1995)

Appointed Officials

Fire Chief

JOSEPH DUGGAN

Zoning Board - Three Years

DENNIS FORD	(1993)
KAY GLOVER	(1993)
DONNA NORTH	(1994)
ROBERT EVERY	(1995)
BARBARA COLLIER	(Alternate)
LEE STRIMBECK	(Ex Officio)

Chief of Police

ROBERT EVERY

Librarian

HARRIET TAYLOR

Health Officer

DR. CHARLES NEY

TOWN OF EASTON TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Easton in the County of Grafton, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 9, 1993. Polls will be open from 3:00 to 6:00 PM for ballot voting on Article 1. The Town's annual business meeting will follow at 7:30 PM.

To act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1. To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year. (*Ballot Vote*)

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$71,251.00 for general Town operations:

Executive	\$ 6,200.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	1,896.00
Financial Administration	1,615.00
Revaluation of Property	400.00
Legal Expense	100.00
Personnel Administration	500.00
Planning & Zoning	500.00
General Government Buildings	2,500.00
Cemeteries	1,775.00
Insurance	3,400.00
Advertising & Regional Association	500.00
Contingency Fund	3,000.00
Police Department	4,930.00
Fire Department	13,600.00
Forest Fire Fighting & Training	300.00
Highways	13,350.00
Solid Waste Disposal	11,100.00
Animal Control	300.00
General Assistance	500.00
Library	500.00
Interest Expense - Bond	2,485.00
Principal	<u>1,800.00</u>
TOTAL	\$71,251.00

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,826.00 for oil emulsion and resurfacing of Town roads and parking area.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to return \$5,000.00 from the perimeter drain back to the General Fund.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$867.00 for Regional Associations in accordance with the following schedule:

Chamber of Commerce	\$300.00
North Country Council, Inc.	292.00
Tri-County Community Action	275.00

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,477.00 for Regional Health Care Agencies in accordance with the following schedule:

Franconia FAST Squad	\$ 300.00
Ross Ambulance Service	1,000.00
North Country Home Health	508.00
White Mt. Mental Health	207.00
Littleton Hospital	250.00
Other Health - Grafton County Senior Citizens	100.00
Hospice	112.00

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for operational expenses of the Franconia Recreational Program.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the Town Commons.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town; gifts, legacies and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purpose, as permitted by RSA 31:19.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money for defraying Town expenses in anticipation of tax revenue, if necessary.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by Town meeting, money from the state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the year, in accordance with RSA 31:95-b.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property which may be offered to the Town for any public purpose, pursuant to RSA 31:95-e. The Selectmen must hold a public hearing before accepting any such gift, and the acceptance shall not bind the Town to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of any such personal property.

ARTICLE 13. To act upon any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Note: After the business meeting of the Town of Easton proposed Ordinances and Regulations will be discussed.

Lee Strimbeck

Joseph Pimental

Robert Hackett

Selectmen of Easton

SELECTMENS' REPORT

The Town stayed within its 1992 budget and tax collections have held up. While Profile School costs and the county budget made substantial jumps, the Town's 1993 budget is down slightly and the revenue from non-tax sources is up slightly. These changes overall have caused the tax rate to go from \$7.40 to \$10.94 per \$1,000 assessment.

Bob Every has picked up the reins of Police Chief and has performed ably. He has put considerable time into training and has essentially completed what is required of him. Lynn Tomasetti who was a key figure in the start of the Fire Department has resigned. Joe Duggan is now your Fire Chief. Joe has moved right in and kept things going at the excellent pace originally established by the Fire Department. The addition to the Fire Station was completed this year and is contributing to the functioning of the department by providing a training and rest area.

Our second annual budget hearing was held February 9, 1993 and was well attended, probably because of the notices mailed to each resident taxpayer. We will continue with such noticing for the hearings.

As many have noticed an attractive and interesting quilt, depicting Easton Scenes, is now displayed in the Town Hall. It was dedicated to Mabeth Schlegle by the Kinsman Valley Club. Also, the Club was responsible for the new drapes in the Town Hall. The Selectmen, on behalf of all of the townspeople, are very appreciative of these additions.

The stone wall defining the Commons was completed. Bob Phipps' "New World" sculpture was put in place for all to admire. We thank Bob for this contribution.

The Fire Department requested that the Selectmen approve a warrant article providing for an Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen believe that such a fund is desirable and necessary to provide for the future effectiveness of the department, but in view of the economy that the commencement of such a fund should be deferred until next year.

Lee Strimbeck
Joseph Pimental
Bob Hackett

Selectmen of Easton

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the reports and accounts from the Board of Selectmen, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Cemetery Committee, Library Trustees, Conservation Commission and the Fire Department of the Town of Easton for the year ended December 31, 1992. My examination was made in accordance with the New Hampshire code of Administration Rules Rev. 505.01 through 505.09 and generally accepted auditing standards as I deemed necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, these reports and accounts present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the Town of Easton for the year ended December 31, 1992.

Ralph Brigida, Auditor
January 27, 1993

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash Checking Account	\$108,114.46
Cash - Yield Tax	1,318.68
Uncollected Property Taxes 1992	28,514.19
Less Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	(4,000.00)
Uncollected Property Taxes - 1990 Lien	1,625.29
Uncollected Property Taxes - 1991 Lien	2,265.27
Uncollected Resident Taxes of 1991	120.00
Uncollected Yield Taxes - 1991 Lien	1,516.46
Accrued Interest Receivable	<u>822.55</u>

Total Assets \$140,296.90

LIABILITIES

School Taxes Payable	\$116,433.00
Yield Tax Bond Deposits	1,200.20
Accounts Payable	4,177.66
Accrued Interest on Long-Term Debt	285.00
Unexpended Funds, Article 12, 1990 - Oil Burner Repair	150.00
Unexpended Funds, Article 3, 1992 - Oil Emulsion	1,174.34
Unexpended Funds, Article 5, 1992 - Perimeter Drain	5,000.00
Unexpended Funds, Article 9, 1992 - Recreation Program	107.87
Unexpended Funds, Article 13, 1992 - Town Landscaping	<u>200.00</u>

Total Liabilities \$128,728.07

Excess of Assets over Liabilities \$ 11,568.83

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF EASTON - REVENUE

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated <u>1992</u>	Actual <u>1992</u>	Estimated <u>1993</u>
Taxes:			
Resident Taxes	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 1,500.00
Yield Taxes	6,000.00	11,842.00	4,775.00
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	1,500.00	2,813.00	1,500.00
Licenses, Permits and Fees:			
Business Licenses and Permits	20.00	10.00	-0-
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	20,000.00	24,420.00	23,000.00
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	400.00	648.00	500.00
From Federal Government:	9,436.00	9,436.00	9,500.00
From State:			
Shared Revenue	1,000.00	2,528.00	-0-
Highway Block Grant	1,624.00	4,366.00	5,000.00
State & Federal Forest Land Reimb.	-0-	1,314.00	-0-
Charges for Services:			
Income from Departments	100.00	-0-	-0-
Miscellaneous Revenues:			
Interest on Investments	2,000.00	1,534.00	1,500.00
Other Miscellaneous Revenues	2,000.00	1,042.00	1,020.00
Interfund Operating Transfers From:			
Trust and Agency Funds	900.00	-0-	-0-
Other Financing Sources:			
Fund Balance			
Items Voted from			
Surplus for spec. purposes	7,553.00	7,879.00	5,000.00
Remainder of Surplus (Deficit)	<u>(3,439.00)</u>	<u>(3,439.00)</u>	<u>13,201.00</u>
Total Revenues and Credits	\$50,594.00	\$65,943.00	\$66,496.00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF EASTON - EXPENDITURES

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Estimated <u>1992</u>	Actual <u>1992</u>	Estimated <u>1993</u>
General Government:			
Executive	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 5,808.00	\$ 6,200.00
Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics	2,200.00	3,486.00	1,896.00
Financial Administration	1,400.00	1,471.00	1,615.00
Revaluation of Property	500.00	345.00	400.00
Legal Expense	300.00	29.00	100.00
Personnel Administration	425.00	336.00	500.00
Planning and Zoning	1,100.00	263.00	500.00
General Government Building	2,700.00	2,754.00	2,500.00
Cemeteries	3,275.00	3,275.00	1,775.00
Insurance	3,400.00	2,799.00	3,400.00
Advertising & Regional Associations	1,488.00	1,391.00	1,092.00
Other General Government	2,500.00	-0-	3,000.00
Public Safety:			
Police	3,000.00	4,469.00	4,930.00
Ambulance	880.00	880.00	1,300.00
Fire	13,708.00	13,897.00	13,600.00
Forest Fire Fighting & Training	100.00	243.00	300.00
Highways and Streets:			
Highways and Streets	13,350.00	13,471.00	13,350.00
Oil Emulsion	5,900.00	4,726.00	4,826.00
Sanitation:			
Solid Waste Collection	223.00	223.00	-0-
Solid Waste Disposal	14,412.00	15,077.00	11,100.00
Health:			
Pest Control	100.00	290.00	300.00
Health Agencies and Hospitals	955.00	955.00	965.00
Other Health	181.00	181.00	100.00
Hospice	112.00	112.00	112.00
Welfare:			
Direct Assistance	500.00	-0-	500.00
Tri-County Services	250.00	250.00	275.00
Culture and Recreation:			
Parks and Recreation	2,933.00	2,825.00	3,000.00
Library	500.00	515.00	500.00
Conservation:			
Other Conservation	400.00	400.00	-0-

Debt Service:			
Principal-Long Term Bonds & Notes	1,800.00	1,797.00	1,800.00
Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	2,591.00	2,576.00	2,485.00
Interest on TAN	-0-	426.00	-0-
Capital Outlay:			
Landscape Committee	2,000.00	1,800.00	100.00
Fire House Building Addition	5,300.00	5,695.00	-0-
Other Improvement-Perimeter Drain	5,000.00	-0-	-0-
Total Appropriations	\$99,683.00	\$92,765.00	\$82,521.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Property Taxes			<u>\$66,496.00</u>
Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)			\$16,025.00

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall	
Land	\$ 29,450.00
Building	118,550.00
Fire Station Building, at cost	<u>63,261.00</u>
 Total 1992 Assessment	 \$211,261.00
Furniture and Equipment	3,300.00
Library - Furniture and Equipment	2,200.00
Police Department - Equipment	1,200.00
Fire Department - Equipment	26,000.00
Trucks	<u>16,500.00</u>
 Total	 \$260,461.00

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF ASSESSED VALUATION

Land		\$13,209,722.00
Buildings		12,736,400.00
Electric Utilities		495,069.00
Less Blind Exemption		<u>(15,000.00)</u>

Net Valuation Upon Which Tax Rate Is Computed \$26,426,191.00

Increase in Net Valuation over 1991 \$ 131,070.00

	1992 Tax Rate	%	1991 Tax Rate	%
TOWN	\$1.81	16.6	\$.58	7.84
COUNTY	1.15	10.5	1.00	13.51
SCHOOL	<u>7.98</u>	<u>72.9</u>	<u>5.82</u>	<u>78.65</u>
TOTAL	\$10.94/1000	100.00%	\$7.40/1000	100.00%

GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT

		Principal	Interest
Beginning Amount - January 1, 1992	\$ -0-	\$45,000.00	\$ -0-
Payments in 1992		<u>1,797.14</u>	<u>2,590.00</u>
Ending Amount - December 31, 1992		<u>43,202.86</u>	<u>2,590.00</u>
Amount to be Provided For 1993	<u>\$4,285.13</u>	<u>\$ 1,800.00</u>	<u>\$2,485.13</u>

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$24,332.00
Titles	88.00
Dogs	235.50
Penalties	20.00
Filings	10.00
Transfer Station Stickers	129.00
Marriage Licenses	80.00
Certified Copies	<u>72.00</u>
 Total Receipts	 24,966.50
 Less Statutory Fees Retained for Clerk's Services	
Motor Vehicles - 321 @ 1.50	481.50
Titles - 37 @ 2.00	74.00
Dogs - 48 @ .50	24.00
Marriages - 2 @ 7.00	14.00
Certified Copies - 3 @ 4.00	<u>12.00</u>
 Total	 <u>605.50</u>
 Transferred to Town	 \$24,361.00
 Town Clerk's Pay	\$ 500.00
Town Clerk's fees, as above	<u>605.50</u>
 Total	 1,105.50
 Expense for Clerk's Office - Utilities	 <u>286.23</u>
 Total Pay	 \$ 819.27

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Collier
Town Clerk

Office Hours

Tuesday Morning
10AM - 12 Noon

Thursday Afternoon
4PM - 6PM

or

By Appointment

BJ'S WORDSHOP
Secretary to the Selectmen

Total Pay for BJ's Wordshop	\$1,793.06
Office Expenses	255.06
Secretarial Time	1,030.00
Financial Administration	156.00
Computer Time	352.00
Resident Taxes	
Changes In Assessment	
Tax Bills - June	
Tax Bills - November	
Imputing Checklist	
Updating Addresses	
Ballots	
Labels	
 Total Cost BJ'S Wordshop	 \$1,793.06

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Total Town Appropriations Budgeted	\$ 99,683.00
Add: Overlay	2,024.00
Add: War Service Credits	1,350.00
Less: Town Revenues Budgeted	(54,976.00)
Less: Shared Revenue To Town	<u>(195.00)</u>
Net Town Appropriation	47,886.00
Total School Appropriation	212,266.00
Less: Shared Revenue To Town	<u>(1,357.00)</u>
Net School Appropriation	210,909.00
Total County Appropriation	30,404.00
Less: Shared Revenues To Town	<u>(97.00)</u>
Net County Appropriation	30,307.00
Total Property Tax Assessed	289,102.00
Less: War Service Credits	<u>(1,350.00)</u>
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$287,752.00

TAX COLLECTOR - SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
Levies of 1992 & Prior - Property & Resident Taxes

DEBITS	Levies of:	
	1992	Prior
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$	\$18,888.01
Resident Taxes		100.00
Yield Taxes		1,306.56
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	287,693.00	
Resident Taxes	1,550.00	10.00
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes		
Resident Taxes		
Overpayments:		
a/c Property Taxes		
Fractions		
Interest & Costs Collected on Delinquent Taxes	349.74	1,059.60
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	<hr/>	<hr/>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$289,592.74	\$21,373.17
CREDITS	Levies of:	
	1992	Prior
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$259,178.81	\$18,888.01
Resident Taxes	1,430.00	100.00
Yield Taxes		1,306.56
Interest on Taxes	349.74	882.10
Penalties on Resident Tax		9.00
Costs		177.50
Abatements Allowed:		
Property Taxes		
Resident Taxes	10.00	
Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	28,514.19	
Resident Taxes	110.00	<hr/>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$289,592.74	\$21,373.17

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Summary of Tax Sales/Tax Lien Accounts

DEBITS

	1992
Taxes Sold/Executed to Town	
Unredeemed Taxes Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year	\$2,230.81
During Fiscal Year May 30, 1992	4,493.52
Interest Collected After Sale/Lien Execution	474.12
Redemption Cost	<u>176.00</u>
Total Debits	\$7,874.45

CREDITS

Remittance to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:	
Redemptions	\$1,317.31
Interest & Costs After Sale	650.12
Unredeemed Taxes End of Year	<u>5,407.02</u>
Total Credits	\$7,874.45

**1992 PROPERTY TAXES AND INTEREST DUE
12/31/92**

	TAXES
Casey, Charles & Barbara	\$ 89.00
Cavanaugh, James & Elizabeth	638.00
*Coleman, Elizabeth	388.00
Cooley, Durand Estate	2,762.00
Dempsey, William E.	134.09
Dexter, Russell & Laurie	889.00
Farrell, Colette A.	141.00
Federico, Frank	816.00
Foss, Sara C.	880.00
Glover, Roderick	592.00
Hannan, Caryl	61.60
Hight, Susan M.	526.00
Hopp, Marion	689.00
Hunt, James & Sheila	887.00
Kelleher, James & Denise	141.00
*Kempton, Geraldine	200.00
Kenney Group	3,405.00
King, Ruth	488.00
Landis, Susan S.	242.00
Lang, Kenneth & Doris Estate	345.00
Locke, Priscilla P.	989.00
McKenzie, Constance D.	2,016.00
Mountain Valley Farm Trust	547.50
Peckett, Graydon	1,212.00
Peckett, John & Lisa	454.00
Petraca, Ralph A. & Barbara A.	291.00
Place, Vincent & Shirley	1,055.00
Portinare, Joseph, Jr.	348.00
*Rollins, Millard & Kathryn	282.00
*Schlegel, Paul	1,166.00
Shepard, David & Alice	1,497.00
Sherburn, Stanley & Lorie	1,259.00
Sturtevant Co., Inc. BF	998.00
Tomasetti, Lynn & Susan	430.00
*Tremblay, Robert	297.00
Valentin, Julien, Jr.	944.00
Walsh, Virginia	415.00
Totals	\$28,514.19

Plus Interest On All Of The Above Taxes Due

*Taxes paid after 12/31/92

1991 Resident Taxes Due 12/31/92

	Penalty
*Moody, James	\$10.00
	\$1.00

1992 Resident Taxes Due 12/31/92

	Penalty
Carver, Catherine	\$ 10.00
Cavanaugh, Elizabeth	10.00
Cavanaugh, James	10.00
Dexter, Laurie	10.00
Dexter, Russell	10.00
Locke, Irving	10.00
Miller, Joanne	10.00
*Moody, James	10.00
Peckett, Grayden	10.00
Place, Shirley	10.00
Place, Vincent	<u>10.00</u>
Totals	\$110.00
	\$11.00

*Taxes paid after 12/31/92

Respectfully submitted,
Fontelle A. Silver
Tax Collector

YIELD TAX BOND ACCOUNT

Balance On Hand January 1, 1992	\$1,573.98
Bond Receipt - R. Leveille	1,200.20
Interest Year To Date	<u>36.80</u>
Total Deposits	<u>1,237.00</u>
Withdrawal To General Fund	1,492.30
Total Withdrawals	<u>1,492.30</u>
Balance On Hand December 31, 1992	\$1,318.68

1991 TAX LIENS DUE
December 31, 1992

McKenzie, Constance D. (Property Tax)	\$ 758.06
New Hampshire Electric Coop (Property Tax)	291.16
Shepard, David & Alice (Property Tax)	1,098.79
Shepard, David & Alice (Property Tax)	117.26
Sherburn, Stanley & Lorie (Yield Tax)	<u>1,516.46</u>
 Total	\$3,781.73

Above figures include Interest and Costs

1990 TAX LIENS DUE
December 31, 1991

Berven, William & DeSimone, Robert	\$ 451.91
Place, Vincent & Shirley	502.38
Shepard, David & Alice	1,122.91
Sherburn, Stanley & Lorie	<u>141.61</u>
 Total	\$2,218.81

Above figures include Interest and Costs

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bank Balance - January 1, 1992 \$ 75,175.64

RECEIPTS

Tax Collector	279,795.66
Town Clerk	24,966.00
State of New Hampshire	6,894.46
National Forest	10,750.44
Miscellaneous Selectmen	587.70
Timber Tax	11,841.64
NHMA Insurance Dividend	566.32
Loan from Bank	65,000.00
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	893.97
Interest on Checking Accounts	<u>1,497.13</u>
 Total Receipts	402,793.32

DISBURSEMENTS

Executive (Selectmen)	5,783.52
Election, Registration, Town Clerk & Article 10	3,363.85
Financial Administration	1,389.00
Revaluation of Property	344.78
Legal	50.75
Payroll Taxes & Withholding	1,215.51
Planning & Zoning	312.50
Town Hall Maintenance	2,538.21
Cemetery	3,275.00
Insurance	3,295.00
Advertising, Regional Association & Article 6 & 7	1,391.00
Police Department	4,162.65
Ambulances - Article 8	880.00
Fire Department	14,023.38
Forest Fire Control	259.81
Highways, Streets, Maintenance & Article 3	16,422.90
Hazardous Waste Collection	223.00
Solid Waste Disposal & Maintenance	13,930.44
Animal Control	290.00
Health Agencies & Hospitals - Article 8	1,136.00
Other Health - Article 8	112.00
Other Welfare - Article 6	250.00
Recreation - Article 9	2,475.88
Library	500.00
Conservation	400.00
Debt Service - Principal, Long Term	1,797.14
Debt Service - Interest, Long Term	2,590.63

Debt Service - Principal, Short Term	65,000.00
Debt Service - Interest, Short Term	441.55
Landscaping	1,800.00
Building, Fire Station Addition - Article 12	5,695.00
Grafton County	30,404.00
Lafayette Regional School	127,336.00
Profile Regional High School	55,845.00
Property Tax Overpayments Reimbursed	<u>920.00</u>
 Total Disbursements	 <u>369,854.50</u>
 Bank Balance December 31, 1992	 \$108,114.46

CEMETERY TRUSTEES' REPORT

There were five burials in 1992.

Cemetery Clean-Up Day was held in May. The Trustees thank those who volunteered.

Memorial Day Service was held on May 30, 1992. The Trustees thank the following for their participation in the annual service:

Jim Collier	<i>Veterans Roll Call</i>
	<i>Gettysburg Address</i>
Bob Hackett	<i>"A Soldier" by Robert Frost</i>
David Every	<i>"In Flanders Field" by John McCrae</i>
Easton Valcourt	<i>Response to "In Flanders Field"</i>
Bob Phipps	<i>Taps</i>
VFW Firing Squad	<i>Volley</i>
Scouts	<i>Veterans' Flags</i>
Easton Fire Department	

A proposed boundary line agreement between Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company as Trustee of the Louis Gerard Paine Trust and the Town of Easton has been drawn up, but remains unsigned at this time by the Christian Science Church, the Remainder, Beneficiary of the Trust.

Row Markers have been set for 17 rows in the remaining section of open land available for the remaining future grave lots.

Cemetery lots have been computerized.

Phase 1 of the restoration program has been started. Most of the gravestones in the old section have been straightened. Family plot fences have been cleaned and painted. Filling of sunken depressions and seeding will continue in the spring.

Cemetery Regulations Booklets developed last year will be available at Town Meeting and upon request.

The Trustees thank the Town for its support and a special thanks to Carol Hutton, Trustee of the Trust Fund, for all her help.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Duggan, Chairman
Bob Every, Treasurer
Eunice Woods, Secretary
Trustees of Kinsman Cemetery

CEMETERY TRUSTEES' REPORT 1992

Balance on hand - January 1, 1992 \$ 526.17

RECEIPTS

Bank Credit and Interest	24.52
Receipts from Town	3,275.00
Receipts from Trustees of Trust Fund	344.10
Grave Site Preparation	50.00
Receipts from Lots Purchased	500.00
Endowments - Perpetual Care	<u>400.00</u>
Total Receipts \$4,593.62	

DISBURSEMENTS

Bank Charges	\$ 20.95
Transfers to Trustees of Trust Fund	300.00
Flags, Dues, Office	208.20
Cemetery Computerization	250.00
Cemetery Restoration	2,000.00
Lawn Care and Maintenance	927.61
Legal	884.01
Withholding	<u>.01</u>
Total Disbursements \$4,590.78	

Balance on Hand - December 31, 1992 \$529.01

NOTES

January 1, 1993 balance includes \$100.00 not yet transferred to trust fund.

Cemetery restoration included straightening of gravestones, filling of sunken depressions, seeding, and trimming of bushes along roadway.

Legal includes work to establish cemetery's boundaries.

Joseph R. Duggan
Robert Every
Eunice Woods

Trustees of Kinsman Cemetery

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS for the Year Ending December 31, 1991

Cemetery Reserve Funds

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	PRINCIPAL		INCOME				Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Total Prin. & Inc. End of Year
		Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	With-Drawals	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year				
1916	R.W. Young	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 5.53	\$ 5.84	\$ 6.70	\$ 4.67	\$ 104.67	
1922	P. Kinsman & B. Edwards	100.00	100.00	100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1937	Orin B. Bowles	200.00		200.00	11.04	11.65	13.38	9.31	209.31	
1947	Arthur Pease	114.00		114.00	6.30	6.65	7.63	5.32	119.32	
1949 & 79	Charles A. Young	300.00		300.00	16.57	17.46	20.06	13.97	313.97	
1959	Florence Pease	200.00		200.00	11.04	11.65	13.38	9.31	209.31	
1966 & 85	Whitcomb, Tabbutt	600.00		600.00	33.18	35.01	40.39	27.80	627.80	
1970	Edson & Harriet Bailey	100.00		100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1970	Leighton & Doolan	71.25		71.25	3.94	4.16	4.78	3.32	74.57	
1971	M. H. & Idanna Bowles	100.00		100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1971 & 89	Wm. & Alice G. Muser	200.00		200.00	11.04	11.65	13.38	9.31	209.31	
1973	Russell & Iva Stevens	50.00		50.00	2.75	2.90	3.33	2.32	52.32	
1973	John W. & Carrie N. Leigher	100.00		100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1973	L. Gerald Peine	750.00		750.00	41.47	43.79	50.31	34.95	784.95	
1974	Everett W. Bailey	100.00		100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1975	Howard Bonor	100.00		100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1979	Wm. J. & Lillian Bailey	200.00		200.00	11.04	11.65	13.38	9.31	209.31	
1979	Merton Edney	100.00		100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1979	Clayton & Sadie Glover	200.00		200.00	11.04	11.65	13.38	9.31	209.31	
1980	Margaret Wolff	100.00		100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1984	Heinz & Helene Schultz	300.00		300.00	16.57	17.46	20.06	13.97	313.97	
1985	Wm. A. & Carol Bailey	200.00		200.00	11.04	11.65	13.38	9.31	209.31	
1985	Stuart or Uncha Bowles	50.00		50.00	2.75	2.90	3.33	2.32	52.32	
1988	Stewart & David Bowles	200.00		200.00	11.04	11.65	13.38	9.31	209.31	
1988	Beulah Bowles	100.00		100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1990	John S. Noga	100.00		100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1990	Edward A. Hutton	100.00		100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1990	Gertrude Schulmann	200.00		200.00	11.04	11.65	13.38	9.31	209.31	
1990	Asa P. Ruskin	100.00		100.00	5.53	5.84	6.70	4.67	104.67	
1991	Rosemary Johnston	25.00		25.00	-0-	-0-	.07	-0-	25.00	
1992	Russell & Ruth Towne	\$300.00		\$300.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	\$300.00	
	TOTALS	\$5,160.25		\$300.00	-0-	\$5,460.25	\$283.74	\$299.52	\$344.10	\$239.16
										\$5,699.41

REPORT OF EASTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Having started in the position and the training program in April and May respectively, much of the year was spent earning certification and learning about the job. Final certification was in October of 1992.

During the course of the year I have been meeting residents, making myself visible in a low key manner, and becoming familiar with you and your concerns by visiting many of you.

The key to effective and efficient enforcement remains and will remain YOU. I am only a central point to collect and act on information you provide.

I like the job and enjoy making a contribution to the community and its people. I am comfortable with the position and respect the responsibility of the trust you have placed in me.

We should be particularly concerned about drugs and marijuana growing in Easton. Due to the efforts of several Easton residents, marijuana with a value of approximately \$20,000.00 was harvested from a cultivated plot in Easton. There is an active investigation of the woods and fields in several areas for continued activity. Several people have expressed their concern about the susceptibility of our children to drugs.

During the past year various types of calls were responded to including prowler and burglar alarms (all false) from several home systems wired to central alarm monitoring stations.

I would sincerely like to thank each of you for your support and help during the past year and further remind you about the importance of your help. The key remains and will remain your willingness to be involved and to help each other.

Sincerely,

Bob Every

REPORT OF THE EASTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

1992 was a year of many changes.

Chief Lynn Tomasetti resigned from the department in July. The department, as well as all town residents and property owners, owe Lynn thanks and appreciation for all his efforts to help establish, equip, staff and run the department.

Easton Fire Department members petitioned the Selectmen and Joe Duggan was appointed as the new Fire Chief.

We note with regret the passing of Rob Wutzdorff. Rob was the senior member of the Easton Fire Department. His devotion and dedication to the department and community will not be forgotten.

Four new members joined the department this year, bringing the roster to twenty-one volunteers. Three members completed Emergency Medical Technical training and a fourth member is currently taking a re-certification EMT training course. One member completed an Instructor Training course.

A Controlled Burn Training Program was held in September providing fire fighters with an opportunity to practice their skills. Our thanks to the McKenzie's for providing the old barn used in the program.

Ten members participated in the Annual Twin-State 2-Day Training Program.

Easton Fire Department members volunteered over 2350 hours in 1992.

The Easton Fire Fighters Association sponsored the 2nd Annual Muster and Chicken BBQ in June.

In July, the Association catered dinner at the Hayseed Festival.

The proceeds from the two events, plus donations received throughout the year, were turned over to the Easton Fire Department for the purchase of various equipment totaling \$2,200.00. In addition, EFD members were able to acquire from Twin State Mutual Aid Member Fire Companies other equipment valued at \$4,000.00.

We thank the Easton Fire Department members and the Association for the many hours of time and effort they expended on behalf of the town.

The Department responded to six incidents in Easton during the past year. Response time and manpower were outstanding.

The new addition to the Fire Department was completed in October. Over 750 hours of volunteer time were donated by various EFD members. Our sincere thanks to all those who helped in so many ways on the project.

In October, the addition was dedicated in memory of Ed Cutter and Rob Wutzdorff, deceased EFD fire fighters.

During Fire Prevention Week we conducted a program at the Franconia Children's Center. Also batteries were distributed for smoke detectors.

Our thanks to the people of Easton for their continued support throughout the year.

A special thanks to the Kinsman Valley Women's Club and all those who made financial and other donations to the EFD and Association during 1992.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph R. Duggan
Chief, Easton Fire Department

FIRE DEPARTMENT

ITEM	1992 BUDGET	1992 ACTUAL	1993 PLAN
Surplus & Cash beginning of year	\$ 47.26	\$ 47.26	\$ 418.24
Income:			
Donation	-0-	465.00	-0-
Bank Interest	-0-	98.60	-0-
Forest Fire	-0-	62.34	-0-
Town of Easton	<u>13,708.00</u>	<u>13,708.00</u>	<u>13,600.00</u>
Total Cash Available	<u>13,755.26</u>	<u>14,381.20</u>	<u>14,018.24</u>
Expenses:			
Training	1,500.00	1,407.77	1,500.00
Building/Utilities	1,800.00	1,931.65	1,800.00
Equipment	3,100.00	4,861.98	3,100.00
Maintenance/Supplies	2,200.00	2,364.39	2,500.00
Administration	250.00	315.62	300.00
Meetings/Travel	500.00	132.16	500.00
"911" Emergency	400.00	408.07	500.00
Grafton Co. Ans	1,008.00	504.00	600.00
Twin State	200.00	200.00	200.00
Fuel/Gas	1,200.00	537.32	1,100.00
Insurance	<u>1,550.00</u>	<u>1,300.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Cash Expended	<u>13,708.00</u>	<u>13,962.96</u>	<u>13,600.00</u>
Surplus & Cash at year end	<u>\$ 47.26</u>	<u>\$ 418.24</u>	<u>\$ 418.24</u>

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

1992 was below average for wildfires reported in our state. Our largest fire was in May in Rumney where a suspicious origin fire burned approximately 150 acres with a total cost of approximately \$30,000. The N.H. Division of Forests and Lands assisted many other communities in wildland fire suppression as well.

Our fire lookout towers reported 289 fires, burning a total of 136 acres. Our major causes of fires were fires kindled without a permit, unknown causes and children.

Please help your town and state forest fire officials with fire prevention. New Hampshire State Law (RSA 224:27) requires that, "No person, firm or corporation shall kindle or cause to be kindled any fire or burn or cause to be burned any material in the open, except when the ground is covered with snow, without first obtaining a written fire permit from the Forest Fire Warden of the town where the burning is to be done." Violation of this statute is a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or a year in jail and you are liable for all fire suppression costs.

Local fire departments are responsible for suppressing fires. The small average fire size of .47 acre/fire is a tribute to early detection by the public or our fire tower system and the quick response of our trained local fire departments. Please help your Warden and fire department by requesting and obtaining a fire permit before kindling an open fire.

The N.H. Division of Forests and Lands assisted 28 towns with a total of \$20,000 in 50/50 cost share grants for fire fighter safety items and wildland suppression equipment in 1992.

If you have any questions regarding New Hampshire forest fire laws, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden, State Forest Ranger, or Division of Forests and Lands at 271-2217.

FOREST FIRE STATISTICS - 1992

Number of Fires Statewide	289
Acres Burned Statewide	136

DISTRICT

Number of Fires	41
Acres Burned	182

TOWN - EASTON

Number of Fires	0
Acres Burned	0

JOHN Q. RICARD
Forest Ranger

LYNN TOMASETTI
Forest Fire Warden

For fire permits and information, call: 823-5607 or 823-8165

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FRANCONIA LIFE SQUAD 1992

This year we in the Life Squad saw some of our older, more experienced, members step down. We will miss them greatly. However, we did gain as many new members as lost from the EMT class which we sponsored and from another area class. We welcome these new members who are well on their way to being experienced members.

The squad utilized funds from the three towns we serve as well as from donations to offset our normal operating expenses. In addition we sponsored those EMTs who became members, purchased Radio Equipment, and additional Air Bags to expand our inventory.

Most importantly, we have purchased Hepatitis B Vaccine shots to help protect our members.

I would like to thank the Franconia, Sugar Hill, and Easton Taxpayers for their continued support as well as those who support us through their donations and through our Hayseed Fund raiser.

The following is a breakdown of our activity from January through December 1992. We have had a total of 73 reportable runs, up three from 1991, this year.

<u>Emergency Description</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Fran.</u>	<u>S. Hill</u>	<u>Easton</u>	<u>Other</u>
Motor Vehicle Accidents	22	14	3	2	3
Medical Emergencies	11	4	4	3	0
Rec. Vehicle Accidents	0	0	0	0	0
Bicycle Accidents	2	1	0	0	1
Misc. Health Problems	3	1	1	1	0
Cardiac Problems	9	6	2	1	0
Alcohol Problems	1	0	1	0	0
Deaths	2	2	0	0	0
Burns/Fire Related	0	0	0	0	0
Pediatric Emergency	2	2	0	0	0
Mt. Rescue Med. Emergency	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Overdose	0	0	0	0	0
Minor Med. Emergency	11	7	4	0	0
Mental Illness	1	1	0	0	0
Dog Bites	1	1	0	0	0
Dry Runs	1	1	0	0	0
False Life Line Activations	3	3	0	0	0
Attempted Suicides	3	3	0	0	0
No Transport Required	1	1	0	0	0
Totals	73	47	15	7	4

I would like to encourage anyone living in the tri-town area who is a certified E.M.T. to consider becoming a member of our Squad.

I would also like to thank the members of the squad, past and present, for their dedicated service.

Respectfully submitted,

Joel N. Peabody, Chief
Franconia Life Squad

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

During 1992, 5 Building Permits were issued. Two were for woodsheds, two were for additions to houses and one for a workshop.

Joseph Pimental
Building Inspector

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Beaver Meadow was graded, drainage established and oil emulsion applied this past year. Oil emulsion was also applied to the fire house driveway.

Respectfully,

Robert P. Peckett, III

LIBRARY TRUSTEES' REPORT

Cash Balance - January 1, 1992	\$174.91
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RECEIPTS

Receipts during the year:

Town of Easton	\$ 67.69
Interest on Memorial Fund	50.76
Reimbursement from C. Hutton	<u>15.84</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>\$134.29</u>
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EXPENDITURES

Books	\$230.63
Miscellaneous Costs	<u>10.88</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$241.51</u>
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Cash Balance, December 31, 1992	\$ 67.69
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Easton Public Library Memorial Funds

Balance, January 1, 1992	\$637.30
Interest Earned	21.53
Interest Transferred to Checking Account	<u>50.76</u>

Balance December 31, 1992	<u>\$608.07</u>
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Eunice Woods
Carolyn Chase
Carole Hutton
Library Trustees

EASTON TOWN LIBRARY REPORT

The Easton Library is unusual in that it has some wonderful early editions of classics and old favorites and it also has many recent best-sellers and books which appeal to all the varied tastes which are found in any community.

The biography section is excellent and we are enlarging the mystery section with recent acquisitions. We have added some interesting gardening books and our New Hampshire and New England section is a good combination of the new and the old.

The library has been fortunate to receive generous donations of books from many sources in the last year. This has resulted in a general rearrangement of the library to make the books more accessible and attractive. A complete inventory of the library is a long-range goal.

Another of the library's goals is to make the library more available to shut-ins and the elderly. To this end, we have a good supply of books on tape and large print books. We will deliver and pick up books for those who cannot get to the library themselves. It is important for the residents of Easton to be in touch with the trustees and/or the librarian to help us carry out this plan. With this program in place, there will be an added awareness of the Easton community as a neighborhood and an extended family.

Publicity is an important part of a small successful library. General information about the library and its acquisitions, notices in the newspaper and everyone playing the role of "Town Crier" will make the Easton Library an important community asset.

Books checked out	262
Juvenile	22
Tapes	17
Non-fiction	68
Books purchased	48
Books donated	144

Respectfully submitted,
Harriet Taylor, Librarian

FRANCONIA / EASTON / SUGAR HILL RECREATION PROGRAM

Summer Recreation Program

The Summer Recreation Program, again based out of Peabody Lodge at Cannon Mountain, provided seven weeks of creative activities for over 90 children from Franconia, Easton and Sugar Hill.

Led by our co-directors, Wendy Mitton and Libby Cossaboom, and an energetic support staff--Matt Vaughn, Amanda Jones, Rachel Mosedale and Linda Yoki--the children enjoyed hiking, sports activities, art projects, theater and cooperative games. Other highlights included trips to the Big Apple Circus, the Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium, the Whale's Tale Water Park, North Country Center for the Arts and a concert performed by the North Country Chamber Players.

We also welcomed back our Red Cross certified swimming instructor, Jean Serino, who improved the aquatic skills of all of our program participants.

Many thanks to all of the parents and friends who volunteered their time to support this worthwhile program.

Winter Recreation Program

The winter recreation program takes care of the Franconia town rink for use by the general public and for our Hockey and Figure Skating programs.

Last winter we had 26 children from the Tri-Town area enrolled in the Hockey program. Our first year coaches, Mike Gilbert and Bob Magoon, did an exceptional job of making sure the players (aged 5-12) not only learned the basics of hockey, but had a lot of fun at the same time. We had a winning season (2-1) and are looking forward to the same for the 1992-93 season.

Many thanks to the coaches & parents for volunteering their time, to Jim Cavanaugh (ice making) and Ed Phillips (maintenance). A special thanks to the Franconia Police Department for donating our Certificate of Participation Awards.

We were unable to offer Figure Skating in 1991-92, but we are offering the program in 1992-93.

The hours of operation and rules and regulations are posted at the rink.

Again, many thanks to all those involved with the winter programs for their dedication to our children.

Baseball Program

Over seventy-five children participated in the Instructional, Farm and Little Leagues this past year. Once again Chris Collman and Greg Connors did a fine job coaching the Little League teams, assisted by Eric Larson and David Brown.

Mike Valcourt, Lloyd Card, Matt Colpitts and Dean Powell are to be commended for their time and efforts with the farm league teams, and Valerie Brooks and Diane Valcourt showed much enthusiasm and dedication with the instructional program. Also, many thanks to Bill Walsh who guided the "Crushers" softball team.

Lastly, a special thank you to the volunteer umpires and assistants who make a tremendous contribution to the continued success of our program.

PLANNING BOARD

One design review came before the Planning Board this year. The board expressed some reservations about the design concerning problems with frontage and the matter was not pursued.

This year we will be looking at the Subdivision and Zoning Regulations to include recently enacted state statutes.

The board meets regularly on the first Tuesday of each month. Public participation is welcome and anyone interested is welcome to attend.

Leon (Rusty) White
Chairman

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Balance - January 1, 1992	\$427.20
Receipts from Town	400.00
Interest from Bank	.78
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Total Receipts	400.78
Expenses of Committee	18.91
Bank Expenses	45.15
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Total Disbursements	64.06
Balance on Hand - December 31, 1992	\$763.92
Savings Account - Peoples Bank	
Balance on Hand - January 1, 1992	\$234.28
Interest Earned	9.03
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Balance on Hand - December 31, 1992	\$243.31

Respectfully submitted,
James H. Collier
Treasurer

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

Activity this past year has been centered on the protection of wetlands in Easton. The Conservation Commission is the only municipal body with authority to intervene in matters relating to the dredge and fill of wetlands.

In keeping with this responsibility we continue to act as liaison between the New Hampshire State Water Pollution Control Office and logging activities in the town.

The Conservation Commission continues to visit logging sites in Easton and to monitor logging practices in and around wetlands. The Commission coordinates with the State Office of Water Pollution Control in instances where it appears that inappropriate practices may be in progress.

Members of the community and loggers have consulted with the Conservation Commission on an informal basis regarding logging activities during the past year and are encouraged to continue to utilize the services of the Commission when there is a question about identifying and/or disturbing a wetland area.

The water of our community is one of our most valuable and irreplaceable resources. Continued care can assure the high quality enjoyed today far into the future.

The Conservation Commission is not a highly visible activity and the work is within the ability of any conscientious resident. Persons wishing to serve should contact the Chairperson or the Board of Selectmen. Openings are currently available.

Brenda Shannon
Chairperson

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

The Franconia-Sugar Hill-Easton Chamber of Commerce has had a challenging year. The difficult economic time, election year, and unpredictable weather made for some real challenges. We met those challenges and worked twice as hard to combat the negatives. We again joined forces and worked together to stretch advertising dollars and worked with the State and other area chambers to reach out farther than ever to attract visiting tourists to our area.

This year, in our second co-operative effort with Lincoln-Woodstock, Twin Mt. and Waterville Valley we will produce a 24-page four-color brochure. This will amount to almost a \$100,000.00 project again made possible because of the co-operative effort and the State's Matching Grant funds. For two years now this project has received the highest ratings ever given by the J.P.P. Committee and is now being used by the state to show other areas what can be accomplished with co-operative efforts. New Hampshire's Mountain Country is a beautiful, strong, informative "sell piece" for the White Mountains. We will print and distribute 250,000 copies.

The grant funds we received for the chamber's portion of a co-operative Yankee Travel Guide ad brought in almost 5000 inquiries about our area. The chamber responded to every inquiry. This year we are again doing a two-page co-operative spread, one page is four-color and the second two-color. We also printed and distributed 40,000 local brochure/directories, which is an increase of 10,000 over last year.

The booth attendants were extremely busy this year with mailings and answering inquiries for the area. This year we found inquiries were far above normal, however, visitor counts were down. We feel this is a definite sign that people want to take vacations, are making plans, and although we may not have seen them this year we expect to see the benefits of our labor next year for sure. We have expanded the booth attendants' job by manning both the booth in town as well as the booth in the tram for 3 days a week. With Cannon Mountain opening far earlier than ever before, we also will be covering the winter booth for more man hours. We are struggling to stay within our allocated budget.

The Community Calendar has been in place for two years now. It has helped to avoid conflicting events. We send a monthly calendar of events to over 40 different outlets for free publication.

This year the chamber will be producing 50,000 four-color local brochure/directories, thanks to a new grant from the State J.P.P. Committee. Our intent is to mail a copy to every property owner in the tri-town area to make them aware of the businesses and services available.

In December, the chamber installed a Find N' Phone system in the tram building at Cannon. This is a great opportunity to make the local businesses and services just a touch of the button away. Already we have seen some great results.

We look forward to 1993. The chamber is constantly on the lookout for more ways to be of service to the business community as well as the community as a whole. If you have suggestions or ideas we'd like to have your input.

Cathy Gerasin
Executive Director

NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL **Annual Report**

North Country Council is the Regional Planning Commission and economic development district for 51 towns in northern New Hampshire. It is supported by local community and county dues which are used to match state and federal funding sources.

Local planning assistance provided to member towns this past year included: municipal planning, transportation planning, business and industrial planning, landscape architecture, solid waste planning, resource management, and GIS mapping. The Council provided professional assistance to Planning Boards, Boards of Selectmen, Zoning Boards of Adjustment, Conservation Commissions, Solid Waste Districts, Local Development Corporations, Non-Profit Community Organizations, Chambers of Commerce, Educational Institutions and Social Service Organizations and Agencies in all of our member towns.

During 1992, North Country Council also continued its commitment to regional planning as follows: completed the North Country's first ISTEA Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program; completed a new regional economic development strategy; developed economic strategic plans with local development groups; expanded the Working Capital micro-lending program throughout the region; provided technical assistance to communities on major infrastructure projects; completed a regional wood products marketing plan; participated in the development of a statewide telecommunications network; conducted an impact assessment of new banking regulations on the businesses in the North Country; provided solid waste and recycling technical assistance to towns, schools and solid waste districts; and continued our public education initiative on forest lands issues in Coos County. All the above major activities occurred at the same time as the Council provided daily planning and development technical assistance to our members.

In the ensuing year, the Council will continue its commitment to local membership services and regional problem resolution.

Persons from member towns interested in becoming involved with the Council are urged to contact their selectmen for appointment as Council representatives or committee members.

Preston S. Gilbert
Executive Director

NORTH COUNTRY HOME HEALTH AGENCY, INC.

The North Country Home Health Agency, Inc., is a not-for-profit Home Care Agency providing home health care and health promotion services to residents of Bath, Benton, Bethlehem, Carroll, Easton, Franconia, Haverhill, Landaff, Lincoln, Lisbon, Littleton, Lyman, Monroe, Randolph, Sugar Hill, Woodstock and additional towns in northern Grafton and southern Coos Counties. In April, 1992 the Agency welcomed the staff and clients of the Gorham District Nurse Association to the Agency's family of care. The Gorham District Nurse Association was formerly a town administered and funded program. The addition of the Gorham District Nurse Association service area means that residents of 22 North Country communities now have access to Agency programs and services.

During 1992, Agency staff provided 23,136 home care visits to more than 560 area residents. This represents an increase of 48% over the number of home care visits provided in 1991 and a 97% increase in home care services since 1989. The reason for the increased utilization of home health care programs continue to be the aging of our population, decreased length of hospital stays and personal and family preference to be cared for at home. It is expected that double digit increases in home care services will continue for several more years.

The Agency continues to work to attract State and Federal funding for local programs and services. In 1992, \$261,645 in State and Federal grants were obtained for the provision of direct home care services in area communities.

In the town of Easton, 5 clients received the following services:

Nursing Visits	63
Home Health Aide Visits	49
Physical Therapy Visits	4
Medical Social Service	3

We express our sincere appreciation to the members of the community, clients, their families and our staff for their participation in Agency programs and look forward to serving you in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Presby, RN, BSN
Executive Director

WHITE MOUNTAIN MENTAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES 1992 Director's Report

White Mountain Mental Health and Developmental Services provides counseling and day services to twenty-two communities in northern Grafton and southern Coos Counties. Services are available at two full-time sites in Littleton and Woodsville. We also operate two part-time offices in Lincoln and Lancaster. Outreach or home based services are available on a limited basis. The addresses and telephone numbers of our sites are as follows:

Full-time - Littleton - 16 Maple Street - 444-5358
- Woodsville - Jct. Swiftwater Road and Old Rt. 10 - 747-8128

Part-time - Lincoln - Linwood Medical Center - 745-8136
- Lancaster - Weeks Memorial Hospital - 788-4911

Mental Health Services include: outpatient counseling to children, adults, couples and groups; drug and alcohol counseling; family therapy; psychological testing and psychiatric services. Services are available Monday through Friday. Emergency Services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Psychiatric hospitalization by referral. Consultation and Employee Assistance Programs are also available. Full day program and outreach are available. Vocational training and job placement are also offered.

We average 500 open cases and the current profile of our cases is 45% male, 55% female, 20% under age 18, 72% between ages 18 and 59, 8% age 60 and over. We employ 15 clinical staff members including: M.D., Ph.D., M.S.W., and Certified Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors.

Developmental Services include:

- Early Intervention. Home-based service for 0-3 year old children who are delayed in their development. Services include: screening, assessment, treatment, and referral. We continue to provide clinics throughout our region to increase our ability to serve more children. Annually, we average service to sixty families.
- Habilitation Services. Provides instruction to our most severely impaired adult population. The program works in conjunction with their residential skills, pre-vocational skills, paid work, and other therapeutic services such as speech therapy and physical therapy. This program has been primarily used by former Laconia State School residents; however, we have had community clients who have been referred by the local school systems. Last year, we served twenty-two (22) clients in two locations; (Littleton and Woodsville).
- Supported Employment. Provides training, instruction, and work adjustment for mentally ill and mentally retarded individuals. Paid work opportunities for the individuals take place in the community. Last year, we operated six job sites directly in the community. We have also completed over twenty individual job placements.

We are appreciative of your past support of our programs and look forward to continuing our history of responsive community services.

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis C. MacKay, Area Director

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL Annual Report

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. provides services to older residents of Easton. These services include home delivered meals, a senior dining room program, transportation, adult day care, outreach and social work services, health screening and education, recreation, information and referral, as well as opportunities for older individuals to be of service to their communities through volunteering.

Any Easton resident over the age of 60 or members of his/her family are eligible to use the services of GCSCC. Handicapped individuals under the age of 60 may also be served through these programs. Although there are no charges for the services, the Agency does request contributions toward the cost of services.

During 1992, 4 older Easton residents were served through all of GCSCC's programs. 2 individuals enjoyed dinners at the Littleton Area Senior Center or received hot meals delivered to their homes; 1 elder used transportation services on 2 occasions to travel to medical appointments, to grocery stores, to do personal errands or to the Senior Center. 1 older person used the services of our social worker. Services for Easton residents were instrumental in supporting many of these individuals as they attempted to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care despite physical frailties.

Working closely with other agencies, providing services to older people in the community, our goals for the future include additional efforts to assist older Easton residents and their families in taking advantage of available programs and services which will improve the quality of their lives and enable them to remain independent in their own community.

KINSMAN VALLEY CLUB

A calendar for the activities of the Kinsman Valley Club scheduled to take place during 1993.

Club Meetings	first Tuesday of each month
Meetings will be held at twelve noon at the Eastern Town Hall. Bring lunch, beverage and dessert will be served.	
Should time and place change, members will be notified. To verify call 823-5309, 823-7175 or 823-5660.	
Summer Fair	Town Hall Saturday, August 7
Fire Wardens Supper	Town Hall Thursday, October 28
Holiday Party	Town Hall Saturday, December 11

All women residents of Easton are invited to join the Kinsman Valley Club which devotes its efforts to the betterment of the community and the establishment of congenial relationships throughout.

Other Important Dates

Town Election Day - 3:00 to 6:00 PM	Tuesday, March 9
Town Meeting - 7:30 PM	Tuesday, March 9
Memorial Day -10:00 AM	Sunday, May 30
Firemens Muster	Saturday, June 26

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF EASTON, NH
for the Year Ending December 31, 1992

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	NAME & SURNAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
January 17, 1992 Easton, NH	Ruby Shannon Vail	John Vail	Brenda Shannon
March 23, 1992 Littleton, NH	Emily Reed Morgan	Reed A. Morgan, III	Alison E. Hahn

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF EASTON, NH
for the Year Ending December 31, 1992

DATE & PLACE OF MARRIAGE	NAME AND SURNAME OF GROOM & BRIDE	RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE
January 11, 1992 Littleton, NH	Roderick K. Glover Joan M. Carns	Easton, NH Easton, NH
September 13, 1992 Bretton Woods, NH	Francis P. Garvan, II Sara K. Hall	Easton, NH Easton, NH

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF EASTON, NH
for the Year Ending December 31, 1992

DATE & PLACE OF DEATH	NAME & SURNAME OF DECEASED	NAME & SURNAME OF FATHER	NAME & SURNAME OF MOTHER
January 7, 1992 Franconia, NH	Ion S. Whitcomb	Sheldon Whitcomb	Mattie Stimson
January 19, 1992 Easton, NH	Margaret T. Kenney	John Taylor	Margaret Sizer
February 5, 1992 Littleton, NH	Chester E. King	Donald King	Florence Bradley
July 30, 1992 Easton, NH	Robert G. Wutzdorff	Oscar Wutzdorff	Elizabeth Hepe
August 17, 1992 Franklin, NH	Harold F. Klumbach	Charles Klumbach	Elizabeth Coyle
September 30, 1992 N. Haverhill, NH	Russell W. Towne	Frederick Towne	Emma Weston
November 17, 1992 Easton, NH	Ruth W. Towne	Charles Wellman	Maude Huebeuer

NOTES

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

9-1-1

POLICE - FIRE

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

POLICE EMERGENCY

9-1-1

POLICE OFFICER

Robert George Richardson

FIRE CHIEF

Joseph Luegma 525-7128

FIRE WARDEN

John Thompson 525-0007

TOWN CLERK'S HOURS

Tuesday Morning
10 AM - 12 noon

Thursday Afternoon
4 PM - 6 PM



Dogs must be licensed by May 1, 1993

License fee

DOG LICENSE & INSPECTION CERTIFICATE NUMBER

is required to obtain a license a dog.

is due in April and must be paid by June 1st.

NOTES

See last page for notes on the above table.

DATE	NAME	NAME	NAME
January 1, 1960 February, 1960	John A. Whalen	Matthew D. Johnson	Robert J. Murphy
January 1, 1960 February, 1960	Michael F. Karpow	John J. O'Brien	William J. O'Brien
February 1, 1960 January, 1960	James K. Ladd	Dominick J. Masi	Josephine Masi
July 1, 1960 September, 1960	Robert J. Wood	Oliver Wenzel	Franklin Wood
July 1, 1960 September, 1960	Robert J. Wood	Charles Wenzel	Franklin Wenzel
September, 1960 November, 1960	Robert J. Wood	Donald J. Tocino	Robert Tocino
September, 1960 December, 1960	Robert J. Wood	Charles Wenzel	Franklin Wenzel

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POLICE OFFICER

Robert Every 823-8090

FIRE CHIEF

Joseph Duggan 823-7129

FIRE WARDEN

Lynn Tomasetti 823-5607

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10 AM - 12 Noon

Thursday Afternoon

4 PM - 6 PM

Dogs must be Licensed by May 1, 1993

Up to date

DOG LICENSE & RABIES CERTIFICATE NUMBER

is required in Easton to License a dog.

A \$15.00 Forfeit if not licensed by June 1st.

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